

S.I. 2009 No. 69

Barbados Water Authority Act
Cap. 274A

**BARBADOS WATER AUTHORITY (WATER AND
SEWERAGE RATES) REGULATIONS, 2009**

The Barbados Water Authority Board, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 28(3) of the *Barbados Water Authority Act*, with the approval of the Cabinet, makes the following Regulations:

1. These Regulations may be cited as the *Barbados Water Authority (Water and Sewerage Rates) Regulations, 2009*.
2. The rates set out in the *First Schedule* are payable for the supply of water. First
Schedule.
3. The rates set out in the *Second Schedule* are payable for the supply of sewerage services. Second
Schedule.
4. The *Barbados Water Authority (Water and Sewerage Rates) Regulations, 1982* are revoked. S.I. 1983
No. 153.
5. These Regulations shall come into operation on the 1st day of July, 2009.

FIRST SCHEDULE

*(Regulation 2)**Water Rates*

1. The rates payable for the supply of water for domestic purposes shall, except where the supply is by meter, be calculated on the net annual value of the property supplied as assessed by the Commissioner of Valuations or by some competent person appointed by the Authority and is, irrespective of the number of taps, as follows:

- (a) where the net annual value does not exceed \$114, a rate of \$3.09 for every dollar of the net annual value with a minimum rate of \$353.28 per annum;
- (b) where the net annual value exceeds \$114 but does not exceed \$150, a rate of \$3.09 for every dollar of the net annual value;
- (c) where the net annual value exceeds \$150 but does not exceed \$336, a rate of \$3.31 for every dollar of the net annual value for the first \$150, and in addition thereto a rate of \$2.34 in every dollar by which the net annual value exceeds \$150; and
- (d) where the net annual value exceeds \$336, a rate of \$3.49 for every dollar of the net annual value for the first \$150, and in addition thereto a rate of \$2.50 in every dollar for every dollar by which the net annual value exceeds \$150 with a maximum rate of \$1 413.12 per annum.

2. Where the maximum rate of \$1 413.12 per annum fixed by paragraph 1 (d) has been reached, no further charges as set out in paragraphs 3 and 4 shall be payable in respect of the same property.

3. The rate payable for supplying water closets with water is \$155.25 per annum.

FIRST SCHEDULE – *Cont'd*

4. The following rates are payable for supplying baths with water:
 - (a) shower baths, \$77.62 per annum;
 - (b) all other baths, \$111.30 per annum.

5. (1) Notwithstanding paragraphs 3 and 4, there is no fixed rate for the supply of water to premises
 - (a) that exceed 2 500 square feet or 230 square metres; or
 - (b) that are wholly or partly used for commercial purposes.(2) An owner or occupier of premises to which sub-paragraph (1) applies shall, unless the Authority otherwise determines, be supplied with water by measure.

6. An owner or occupier of premises that include an area reserved for use as a garden may be supplied with water at a fixed rate if
 - (a) the garden does not exceed 25 square metres; or
 - (b) watering of the garden is not done by sprinkler or other similar device attached to an outlet.

7. All rates for the supply of water for domestic purposes shall, except where the supply is by meter, be calculated to the nearest dollar.

STATUTORY INSTRUMENT**FIRST SCHEDULE – Concl'd**

8. The following rates are payable to the Authority for water supplied by measure:

	Usage	Rate
(a)	<i>Domestic Usage</i>	
(i)	Up to 8 cubic metres per month	\$2.48 per cubic metre
(ii)	from 9 cubic metres to 20 cubic metres per month	\$3.10 per cubic metre
(iii)	from 21 cubic metres to 40 cubic metres per month	\$4.66 per cubic metre
(iv)	over 40 cubic metres per month	\$7.78 per cubic metre
(b)	<i>Commercial Usage</i>	
(i)	businesses, apartments, guest houses, hotels, Government offices, schools and all other commercial usage other than ships.	\$4.66 per cubic metre
(ii)	ships	\$8.08 per cubic metre
(iii)	agricultural projects which are Government-sponsored	\$2.90 per cubic metre

9. Notwithstanding paragraph 8, the minimum rate to be paid in respect of water supplied by measure shall be \$32 per month.

SECOND SCHEDULE

(Regulation 3)

Sewerage Services

Service	Rate
(a) Domestic consumers	1/3 of the water rate
(b) Businesses, apartments, guest houses, hotels, Government offices, schools, ships and all other commercial consumers	2/3 of the water rate

Made by the Barbados Water Authority Board this 26th day of June, 2009.

A. H. BRATHWAITE
Chairman of the Board of Directors.

Approved by the Cabinet this 26th day of June, 2009.

A. GOLLOP
Secretary to the Cabinet.